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PROGRAM TITLE	UNCLE SAM'S FOREST RANGERS NO. 376	OK	
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PRODUCTION

ANNOUNCER

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REMARKS



1. ANNOUNCER: "Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers"
2. ORCHESTRA: Quartet; Ranger Song
3. ANNOUNCER: State game laws for the protection and regulation of
4. fur, fish and game resources apply in the National
5. Forests. As administrator of the millions of acres of wild forest lands
6. and thousands of lakes and streams which millions of furred, feathered
7. and finny folk call home, the United States Forest Service shares an
8. equal interest and responsibility with the States for the welfare of
9. national forest wildlife. The forest Service cooperates with the State
10. Game Departments in many ways. Forest rangers living and working in
11. the National Forests the year round have an opportunity to collect
12. much information of value in formulating laws and plans applicable to
13. fish and game. In cooperation with State Game Departments the Forest
14. Service also distributes salt for big game animals, stocks fish and game
15. in depleted areas, establishes wildlife breeding grounds and refuges,
16. and renders assistance in building up and maintaining national forest
17. wildlife populations in many other ways. And in addition to their
18. regular forest duties United States Forest Service rangers also frequently
19. serve as deputy state game wardens--assisting in the apprehension and
20. conviction of poachers and game law violators. Last week our friends
21. at the Pine Cone Ranger Station received a surprise visit from Joe
22. Le Moine. A holdover from the old frontier type of French Canadian
23. mountanmen Joe earns his living by trapping marten and other fur bear-
24. ing animals up around Windy Peak.
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1. Introduction

2. The early years

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1. Joe spent the night at the ranger station and in the course of the  
 2. evening he informed Jim that someone was trapping protected beaver in  
 3. Washout Canyon where the animals had been specially stocked for the  
 4. purpose of building dams and checking erosion. Jim immediately  
 5. called Bill Parker, the local State Game Warden, and Parker agreed  
 6. to come over early the next morning to form a plan of action for  
 7. catching the marauders. As we look in now we find Ranger Jim Robbins  
 8. and his assistant Jerry Quick in the office of the ranger station  
 9. waiting the arrival of Game Warden Parker.

10. JERRY: (FADING IN) This wildlife report for the supervisor is already  
 11. to go now, isn't it Jim?

12. JIM: That's right, Jerry. We'll get the whole works off on  
 13. this morning's mail.

14. JERRY: I'll sure be glad to get that out of the way.... But gosh,  
 15. don't forget we've still got to do that grazing report,  
 16. Jim. It's due in the supervisor's office in about two  
 17. weeks, too.

18. JIM: I haven't forgotten it, Jerry. But I don't want to get  
 19. started on that 'til we get this Washout Canyon business  
 20. settled. I've got a hunch you and me will be making a  
 21. trip up there and once we get there, it's no telling what  
 22. we're liable to run into.

23. JERRY: I thought you were going to let Bill Parker handle that.  
 24. Enforcing the game laws is his job.

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1. JIM: Uh huh, I know, Jerry. But it's our job to give him a  
2. life wherever we can. These game wardens have a lot of  
3. country to cover and sometimes they just can't get over it  
4. all. I sort of figure Bill will want us to give him a  
5. hand on this job.

6. SOUND OF APPROACHING CAR OFF MIKE

7. JERRY: There's Parker pulling up in the driveway now.

8. JIM: He's right on the minute, too. When it comes to law en-  
9. forcement old Bill's a go-gettin' son-of-a-gun.

10. JERRY: Boy, I'll say. He's got a record of convictions that beats  
11. almost any other warden in the state, hasn't he? I sure  
12. wouldn't want him camping on my trail.

13. SOUND OF FEET STOMPING ON PORCH OFF MIKE SHORTLY FOLLOWED BY A SOUND  
14. OF DOOR OPENING

15. BILL: (SLIGHTLY OFF MIKE) Jim, you old wart hog, why don't yuh  
16. mop the snow off your doorstep once in awhile. Yuh hiber-  
17. natin'?

18. JIM: (CHUCKLES) Keeps comin' down faster than we can keep it  
19. swept away, Bill. How are you anyhow? Seems like I  
20. haven't seen you in a coon's age.

21. JERRY: 'Morning Mr. Parker. You must have got up before breakfast  
22. to drive ten miles up here by eight o'clock.

23. BILL: (GROWLS) Old Bill Parker gets up every morning before  
24. breakfast, young fella.

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1. JERRY: (HURRIEDLY) Well I .. I .. no offense, Mr. Parker, I was  
 2. just ...

3. JIM (CHUCKLES) Don't let Bill scare you out, Jerry. He's always  
 4. like an old she-bear with cubs at this hour of the morning.  
 5. All he needs is a good hot cup of Bess' coffee.

6. BILL: (HALF HEARTEDLY) Aw, Jim, I wouldn't want to make Bess any  
 7. bother. She's probably got all the breakfast dishes cleaned  
 8. up by now and ....

9. JIM: (CALLING OFF) Oh, Bess. Bill Parker's out here and he  
 10. needs a cup of coffee. You better bring the whole pot.

11. BESS: (OFF MIKE - CALLS) It's all ready, Jim. I'll bring it  
 12. right in.

13. BILL: You shouldn't of done that, Jim. Bess'll go to a lot of  
 14. trouble and ...

15. BESS: (COMING ON) Good morning, Mr. Parker. I thought maybe  
 16. you'd like some coffee after that long cold drive up here,  
 17. so I kept the pot right on the stove. And here's some  
 18. cookies and lots of sugar. I know you like lots of sugar.  
 19. Now you just help yourself.

20. BILL: Aw Bess, you're always feedin' some old bum like me. But  
 21. I sure do appreciate it. This hot coffee'll chase the  
 22. frost bites pronto.

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1. BESS: Well that's just fine. You sit down here and have all you  
 2. want. And eat those cookies too. Sometimes I think you  
 3. bachelors living alone don't get enough to eat.

4. BILL: That's a fact, Bess. If we was all as lucky as Jim here  
 5. and could tie up with a swell cook like you we wouldn't be  
 6. bachelors.

7. BESS: Go on now! You just drink your coffee and talk your busi-  
 8. ness with Jim and Jerry while I get on with the breakfast  
 9. dishes. You can bring these things out to the kitchen  
 10. whenever you're finished.

11. BILL: All right. And you just take it from me, if it wasn't for  
 12. you, old man Robbins would have to close up shop here and  
 13. go get himself some other kind of business. Your cookin'  
 14. has made more friends for the Forest Service than Jim and  
 15. his trees could ever hope to turn out.

16. BESS: (FADING OUT) Whoosh! I know you too well, Bill Parker.  
 17. You hush your talk now and drink your coffee.

18. SOUND OF DOOR CLOSING

19. BILL: (DEEP CHUCKLE) You got a mighty fine wife there, Jim. Bess  
 20. is as good as they come... Ah boy, the smell of that cof-  
 21. fee. U-m-m I feel like a new man already.

22. JIM: (CHUCKLING) You see Jerry. Every man's got his weakness and  
 23. Bill's is coffee. Putting a good hot cup of coffee under  
 24. his belt is just like putting oil on a squeaky wheel.  
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1. BILL: Well Jim what's all this hurry-up-and-come-up-and-see-me  
2. business about anyhow? Somebody killed your pet deer?  
3. JIM: Worse than that Bill. I got it pretty straight somebody's  
4. trapping our pet beaver up there in Washout Canyon.  
5. BILL: H-m-m. Must be somebody local, huh? There's not many  
6. people knew we put them beaver up in there. Where'd the  
7. tip come from, Jim?  
8. JIM: Well, with a party line and all I didn't want to say much  
9. about it over the phone when I called you last night, Bill.  
10. But yesterday afternoon Joe Le Moine ...  
11. (SOUND OF SUDDEN SPUTTERING, CHOKING AND VIOLENT COUGHING)  
12. BILL: (WRATHFULLY) You .. you mean you got me to drive all the  
13. way up here on a tip from that sneakin', slough-footed  
14. siwash! (MORE COUGHING) Why Jim I'll .. I'll ..  
15. JIM: Now hold your horses, Bill. Joe has played a few tricks  
16. on you I know, but they've all been harmless little tricks.  
17. And when he tells me something you can bet its pretty  
18. straight.  
19. BILL: Where's that little weasel-eyed devil now?  
20. JIM: He's still here, I guess. (CALLS) Bess, ... Oh, Bess...  
21. SOUND OF DOOR  
22. BESS: (OFF MIKE) Yes, Jim?  
23. JIM: Is Joe Le Moine still here?  
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1. BESS: Yes, Jim, he's down at the bunk house putting some new  
2. harness on his snowshoes. I told him Mr. Parker was  
3. here.

4. BILL: Humph. I'll bet he's halfway over the mountain by now,  
5. then.

6. JIM: I know how you don't trust Joe ...

7. BILL: Trust him? I wouldn't trust that fly-by-night Frenchman  
8. any farther'n I could throw a chimney by the smoke. Trust  
9. him. Huh.

10. JIM: Well, Joe seemed right friendly toward you last night when  
11. we were talkin' about you, Bill.

12. JERRY: (LAUGHING) I'll say. He was telling us about you trying  
13. to sneak up on him last winter and what a merry chase he  
14. led you. (LAUGHS) That really must have been something.

15. BILL: (VERY DRYLY) Yeah.

16. JIM: (CHUCKLING) I didn't mean to bring that up Bill but I can  
17. promise you it won't get any farther. Jerry will keep  
18. it under his hat too.

19. BILL: Don't worry. Joe'll see that everybody hears about it  
20. sooner or later. (SOMEWHAT PLAINTIVELY) The little devil  
21. just seems to take a delight in plaguing me, Jim. And the  
22. trouble is I never can catch up with him to get anything on  
23. him. (LAUGHS SHORTLY) That was some stunt he pulled on me  
24. last winter at that. I got to give him credit.

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1. JIM: (CHUCKLING) How in the name of Ned did you happen to let  
2. him take you in any way?

3. BILL: Well, dawgonit, I really didn't have any evidence that  
4. Joe was doing anything out of the way but I just decided  
5. I'd sort of slip up on him and see what he was up to all by himself way  
6. back there in the hills. You know how it is with these fellas living  
7. way back in the sticks. Every now and then they slip out and knock over  
8. a deer or an elk and nobody ever knows the difference. Well, I got  
9. almost up to Joe's cabin, when I see his tracks comin' down the mountain  
10. from the cabin, and I just started out to follow him... thinkin' I'd  
11. see what in tarnation he was rovin' around in the woods for on a day  
12. like that. It was blowin' and snowin' like blue blazes. You know  
13. the rest of the story. Somehow or other Joe got wind I was on the  
14. way up there ... seen me or smelled me or something... and just decided  
15. he'd have some fun. You know how he can travel. The devil himself  
16. couldn't keep up with Joe on snowshoes. I chased him all the way down  
17. that confounded mountain, about two miles around the side of it and  
18. then he took me right straight back up the steepest side of it. When I  
19. finally pulled up at his door there the little devil was just as cool  
20. and comfortable and homey as you please ... like he'd been settin'  
21. home with his tattin' all day. Greeted me just like a long lost brother  
22. and like he didn't have an idea I was anywhere in the country. A-h-h.  
23. I was dragged out and mad enough to've carved out his gizzard.  
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1. JIM: (LAUGHS) I can sure get a mental picture of you pullin'  
2. up to Joe's door and the look you gave him when he opened  
3. it up.

4. JERRY: (LAUGHING) That must have been good. I'd sure liked to  
5. have been there to see it.

6. BILL: But seriously, Jim, I don't trust Joe. I've just got a  
7. sneakin' hunch he may be in on this beaver trappin' himself.  
8. He knew we put them beaver in there .. you can be sure of  
9. that. And I'll bet a plugged nickel to a ten dollar gold  
10. piece he's had his eye on them ever since. Bein' right  
11. there at the foot of Windy Peak, Washout Canyon's mighty  
12. handy for Joe to operate in too.

13. JIM: Joe wouldn't touch those beaver, Bill. He might play a  
14. few practical jokes and act queer but I'll vouch for the  
15. fact that Joe's not breaking any game laws. I know him.  
16. He never kills more meat than he needs and as far as  
17. trappin' is concerned he never takes as much fur as he  
18. could if he really went at it seriously. All he's interested  
19. in is makin' enough money out of his fur to live on. Joe's  
20. one of the best cooperators I've got on the district.

21. BILL: Well, that all sounds good. But sometimes I think that  
22. slippery little Frenchman is pulling the wool over your  
23. eyes, Jim. I respect your judgment and all that but ...  
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1. JIM: Well shucks Bill, you know Joe wouldn't come down here and  
2. tip off his own game. And here's another thing. I told  
3. Joe about those beaver when we first put them in there and  
4. he was tickled to death. Said he'd keep a special watch  
5. on them for me.

6. BILL: Hah! He'd watch those beaver all right. You bet he would.

7. JERRY: Jim, I hate to go against you but I'll be darned if I don't  
8. think Joe's kind of fishy, too. What I'm wondering is  
9. whether maybe this tip may not be some kind of a blind to  
10. cover up something else. Maybe he's taken all the beaver  
11. out of Washout Canyon and now he's going to do something  
12. else .... I'm like Mr. Parker. I don't trust Joe either.

13. JIM: U-m-m. 'Course I can't spend all my time doggin' Joe  
14. around to be absolutely sure he isn't into mischief and I  
15. have been wrong on one or two occasions....

16. BILL: How about getting Joe in here and talkin' to him?

17. JIM: Sure. We can let Joe speak for himself. Take a run down  
18. to the bunk house and give him a call, will you Jerry?

19. JERRY: You bet, Jim. I'll get him up here right away.

20. SOUND OF DOOR CLOSING

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1. BILL: Jim, you know where your district butts into State land  
2. up there at the head of North Fork Creek, about ten miles  
3. west of Windy Peak? Well, there's a big bunch of elk winterin' in  
4. there and there's somebody workin' them elk for their-teeth. There's  
5. two or three of 'em in the gang and I've been tryin' to catch 'em all  
6. winter. A couple times I thought I had 'em right where I could get  
7. them but they got away clean both times. What they do is chase 'em in  
8. the deep snow until they're all played out and then they get ahold of  
9. the critters and pull their teeth out. For plum meanness I've never  
10. seen anything to beat it.

11. JIM: H-m-m... Well I can tell you right now that Joe's not mixed  
12. up in any business like that.

13. BILL: How do you know he isn't, Jim? Just how do you know? He  
14. lives up there in that country and shucks, you can't keep  
15. track of what he's doin'. By gosh, I just got a hunch ...

16. JIM: Well, now look, Bill, you play your hunch... and if it  
17. proves out right, I'm wrong and I'll admit it. But let's  
18. get the thing settled once and for all. We'll make a  
19. real check on Joe. I'll take Jerry and go in to Windy Peak  
20. by way of Washout Canyon and you come in from the other  
21. side across the State land up above North Fork. That way  
22. we'll have Joe right between us and if he's mixed up in  
23. either the beaver stealing or the elk operations we'll  
24. know it. He won't be expecting us to hit both areas at  
25. the same time...

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1. BILL: By gosh, Jim, it's a deal. When can you get away?

2. JIM: Jerry and I'll leave first thing tomorrow morning and

3. we'll meet you ...

4. SOUND OF DOOR BEING THROWN OPEN

5. JERRY: (BURSTING IN) Joe Le Moine's pulled out, Jim. He's made  
6. up his bunk and swept out the bunkhouse and left.

7. BILL: See there? I told you he wasn't to be trusted. (FADING  
8. OUT) He's as crooked ...

9. MUSIC: FINALE

10. ANNOUNCER: Well, it looks like Joe Le Moine certainly wanted to avoid  
11. a meeting with the game warden. But just what's in his  
12. mind nobody knows. Perhaps next week will tell .....  
13. Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers is a presentation of the  
14. National Broadcasting Company with the cooperation of  
15. the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture.

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24. KJ: 4:50  
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